

### REMARKS

The preliminary amendment dated September 5, 2003 in the captioned application listed claims 12-29 as cancelled. It appears that these claims were not previously entered in the file, and thus the cancellation of these claims appears to have been a typographical error. For clarity and consistency in the file, Applicants have continued to indicate these claims as cancelled in the present amendment, and have added new claims beginning with claim 30.

Please debit the following fees from the below identified deposit account:

- \$100 for 2 excess claims over 20.

If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees, or credit any over payment, to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5957-48401/LJM.

Respectfully submitted,



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